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### CIVIL SERVICE AT RUTLAND.

A very amusing sample of civil service reform has developed at Rutland in connection with the removal of Postmaster Field and the appointment of Dr. Hanrahan. Mr. Field's term had not yet expired, and the genuine essence of reform, as a good many people look at it, demanded that he be allowed to serve out the full limit—providing, of course, no charges of malfeasance in office could be brought against him. This is where the rub came, and it turns out now, according to the Herald, that the removal was hastened by a document signed by a letter carrier declaring Mr. Field to have made an assessment on the employees of the office for political purposes. The letter carrier in question, when pinned down to the facts, admitted that he had never been asked to give for political purposes, and that he signed the document aforesaid without knowing what he was signing.

If a postmaster is to be ousted simply because he has been found guilty of being a republican or a democrat, as the case may be, let the deed be done in straight, open, manly fashion, without any pretence at civil reform; but such snaky wiggling round the political bush to get an opposition office-holder out of the way, as seems to have been indulged in at the brand-new city, is not quite up to Hoyle's definition of civil service reform, and not in consistent keeping with the claims set forth by the advocates of the so-called "Windham county plan."

### BETRAYAL OF TRUST.

From a strictly business point of view, in opening the gates of the World's Fair and affording access as well to the exhibits on Sunday, the management have violated an obligation and gone back on an arrangement with the congress of the United States, from whom they received a grant of two millions and a half, on condition that the exposition was not to be open on Sunday. In thus doing they have merited general condemnation; and the local clergyman who said that the directors had, in this breach of integrity, joined hands with the anarchists, was not far out of the way, so far as the principle of the thing is concerned—though doubtless the management would hardly agree with him to that extent.

The effort which the judiciary department is making to hold the fair management to its part of this straight business contract, or, failing in this, to compel the return of the people's money as a penalty for the violation of the agreement, should certainly succeed. To say nothing at this time of the moral principles involved, the action of the director is open to severest criticism as a dishonorable business method.

### A NATURAL FATE.

The plant of the old Vermont Sentry, formerly published at Swanton, but more lately at St. Albans, and which was so practically worthless that it was abandoned by its last owner, has just been sold to satisfy a mortgage. The Sentry was originally established for the alleged purpose of killing the St. Albans Messenger. Just how successfully the proposed assassination has been carried out may be judged by the above statement. There is a tragic fate in store for most of these journals that are established with the intent of annihilating some long standing and all-round-reliable newspaper.

### A POPULIST FREAK.

The populist, as he has developed in Kansas especially, is a unique political creation, and he promises to afford the nation a great deal of entertainment within the next few years.

It will be remembered that during the miniature war between the parties at the Kansas state capital last winter the populist governor ordered the militia to attack and dislodge the legally organized republican assembly. The militia declined to do so, and the governor and his supporters flew into a rage, from which, it seems, they have not yet fully recovered. By way of revenge it is now proposed by the populist administration to disband the

entire militia, which is accused of being republican, and organize at once a military force in which only men friendly to the powers that be will be allowed to enlist.

This is certainly a peculiar move, which we hardly believe will be attempted in all seriousness. Such foolishness by a party in power in any state could have but one result—the rather speedy annihilation of that party; for this is a country where that sort of thing does not work for any length of time. The Kansas populist appears to be a decidedly revolutionary character; he is disgracing his state, and might well be dispensed with.

Dartmouth College justly feels very proud of the decisive victory won by its athletes at the Worcester meeting last week. The result was even better than the Dartmouth boys themselves had dared to hope, as the team had in it a good deal of new and untried material. But some determined work was put into the preparations for the contest, and the outcome is gratifying to all friends of the college. Mr. Whitehouse, the trainer who has had the athletes in hand for some time past, did them excellent service, and the students are quite disappointed that he was overlooked by the trustees in their selection of a director of athletics.

The management of the World's Fair seem destined to be in hot water most of the time. The jury system of awards, on which basis many of the foreign countries consented to exhibit, has been abandoned, and seventeen nations have withdrawn their exhibits from any competition for awards. The English papers have taken the matter up, and use considerable sarcasm in their comments on the management. The London Standard, for instance, says: "Altogether, the World's Fair within a month has caused much unpleasant friction. It cannot be described as in any way a success."

Not alone has this country been disturbed of late by financial troubles. In Australia there has been a fearful record of this kind. It is stated that during the last five months fifteen banking institutions in that country, with deposits exceeding \$411,000,000, have suspended, and hundreds of smaller banks are also involved. Compared to this, the failures in the United States have been but a ripple.

When it comes to close states, Rhode Island seems to be prominent in the list. A bye-election there last week was won by the democrats, and the legislature now stands 55 republicans to 54 democrats. A good deal may depend on the good health and good nature of that one republican. He should be tenderly nurtured.

### THE NEW BEEF BUILDING.

In about ten days from date the newly-erected building on Eastern avenue, adjoining the track, will be in readiness for the reception of Swift's Western beef, hams and such other provisions as these establishments carry. This is the only station of the Swift Company between White River Junction and Newport, and it is calculated to supply dealers within a radius of 20 or 25 miles. The building is a substantial-looking affair, of wood, and well adapted for its purpose—the cold storage of meats pending their disposal to neighboring butchers. The front portion of the structure's interior is devoted to a salesroom and the offices of the manager and book-keeper respectively. On the first floor, back of the office, is the refrigerator room, 20x52 feet in dimensions, where the meats will be kept. The walls of the building are a foot thick and contain an ample air space; the windows of the refrigerator will contain four sash each, small spaces intervening, to guard against the approach of any warm air from the outside which would militate against the proper keeping of the meats. Directly above the refrigerator is the ice chamber, with a capacity of 150 tons, from which the cold air will pass to the lower room, and it is expected that the temperature in the refrigerator will thus be kept within a very few degrees of that in the ice chamber. Doors on the east side next the track afford opportunity for the unloading of the goods as they arrive from the West. Directly in front of the ice chamber, on the second floor, is a room which is to be used for general purposes. The building is shingled with Oregon cedar, and the floors are laid in Oregon fir; the interior is finished mainly in strictly clear spruce. A striking sign surmounts the entire length of the building, and the structure itself adds greatly to the business look of that particular locality. C. W. Barton was sent here by the Swift Company to oversee the erection of this station.

An exchange facetiously remarks that the Behring Sea arbitration may turn out to be a skin affair in more senses than one.

### RECORD OF THE WEEK.

#### Thursday.

A snowfall of several inches is reported from Ishpeming, Marquette and Red Jacket, Mich., where the deep snows and high water are unprecedented.—Ex-secretary Charles S. Foster, who has been an extensive dry goods merchant at Fostoria, O., has failed.—Cyclones at Moberly, Mo., and Garnet, Kan., levelled many buildings, uprooted hundreds of trees and did much other damage.—Col. J. A. Mills of the Eighth Massachusetts regiment is under a cloud, being charged with the embezzlement of funds while paymaster of the Victoria cotton mills.—A Moravian village of 750 inhabitants has been wiped out by fire, and four persons lost their lives. Davis Hotel and 24 other buildings in Rocklin, Cal., were burned, and one girl perished in the flames.—During a cyclone at Sedalia, Mo., a circus tent fell upon 2000 people, and a panic ensued; nobody seriously hurt.

#### Friday.

The whisky trust, whose headquarters are at Peoria, Ill., has 9,900,000 gallons of unsalable spirits on hand, and will shut down all its distilleries June 1st. The Michigan legislature has passed a bill permitting women to vote at municipal elections.—The Aldine Hotel Company's project for establishing an immense hostelry in the World's Fair city has fallen through, and subscribers will lose about \$50,000.

#### Saturday.

Queen Wilhelmina of Holland is in quick consumption, and the Dutch begin to fear for their existence as a distinct nation.—The Mississippi and Missouri valleys have been visited by an extraordinary thunder storm, and reports from the interior localities indicate that much damage has been done to property and there has been some loss of life.

#### Sunday.

Several wood-working establishments at New Bedford, Mass., were burned, and for a time a very serious conflagration was threatened.

The Baltimore sugar refinery was burned at a loss of one million dollars.

#### Monday.

Dr. Graves, the accused murderer of Mrs. Barnby at Denver, has been set free, the state having abandoned its case against him.—There has been a heavy rainfall throughout Louisiana, a large section of the state has been inundated, and immense damage has been done to planters and railroads there.

#### Tuesday.

Fall River, Mass., was the scene of another horrible murder, the victim being Miss Bertha Manchester, whose people lived near the city, and who was found by her father lying in a pool of blood; there is no clue as yet to the perpetrator of the deed.—Main's circus train was wrecked near Tyrone, Pa., and five persons were killed and ten injured; the engineer lost control of the train while going down a mountain.—The French senate has passed a bill to facilitate civil actions against the Panama canal swindlers.—Eighteen persons at Seabrook, N. H., have been poisoned by eating cheese said to have been received from a Vermont manufacturer; something akin to arsenic was found in the cheese.

#### Wednesday.

Sugar Hill, N. H., was visited by a destructive fire; 12 houses were burned and 14 families made homeless.—Floods are threatening the vicinity of Kansas City, and a cyclone is reported from southwestern Kansas.

Mount St. Elias, which has hitherto held the proud position of the highest eminence on this continent, has been superseded by Mount Orizaba, in Mexico, according to recent measurements by Dr. Scoville of Terre Haute, Ind. The latter mountain has been declared to be higher than the former.

### VERMONT MATTERS.

A large porcupine was shot in the street in Berlin, just across the river from Montpelier, the other day.

Rev. E. M. Smith has been elected principal of the Vermont Methodist Seminary at Montpelier, to succeed E. A. Bishop, who resigned.

F. A. Atwood's house and grocery store, and H. P. Hulet's three tenement houses in Salisbury were burned the other day.

H. Senecal was instantly killed on Friday, at the quarry in Pittsford, by the falling of a block of marble.

The new Methodist church in Middlebury was dedicated on Thursday last, and about \$3000 of a \$4400 debt was wiped out on that day.

Rutland had a ten thousand dollar fire on Sunday night, when Brehrer Bros., jeweler, and Miss M. Mulline, milliner, had their stocks destroyed and several other firms suffered from water and smoke.

The recent failures at the West, and a general feeling of distrust in consequence thereof, caused a run on the Rutland savings bank last week. The institution is a very reliable one, and the run was promptly taken care of.

During a storm at Weybridge last week lightning struck I. J. Twitchell's barn and set it afire and killed one of his cows, and also killed a cow for another farmer in the same town.

O. A. Marshall, a young man of 35, who had represented Brattleboro in the legislature and was especially esteemed by the community, died last week, after a short illness.

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